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For: PATCH BAG AND PROCESS FOR MAKING SAME

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time under 37 CFR, Section 1.136(a) within which to respond to the Official Action dated 5 July 2000, that is, to and including 5 January 2001. An Amendment under 37 CFR 1.11 is filed simultaneously herewith.

The undersigned authorizes the Commissioner to charge the two month extension fee of \$890.00 to Deposit Account No. 07-1765. Moreover, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1765. This document is filed in duplicate. The undersigned may be contacted at (864) 433-3247. Please address all correspondence to the below-indicated address. Respectfully submitted, S

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